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In response to the Examiner's Requirement for Election of Species dated September 17, 2003, Applicant elects Species I, directed to the subject matter depicted in at least Figure 3, for further prosecution, without traverse. In view of a Preliminary Amendment being filed herewith, canceling Claims 1-23 and adding new Claims 24-31, Applicant respectfully submits that new Claims 24-31 read on the embodiment encompassed by Figure 3.

Early favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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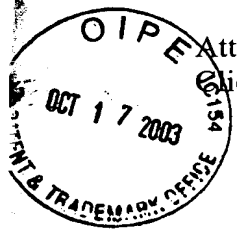
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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. A Response to Requirement for Election of Species is being filed herewith.